

REMARKS

Claims 1-40, 43-47 and 49-52 are pending. Claims 41, 42, 48 and 53 were previously canceled.

The Examiner withdraws the restriction requirement mailed on March 22, 2007 but again restricts the claims into Group I, claims 1-27; Group II, claims 28, 29, and 36; and Group III, claims 30-35, 37-40, 43-47, and 49-52.

Applicant elects Group II, claims 28, 29, and 36 for prosecution without traverse.

Applicant elects the block copolymer of claim 3 as the species of the first block, in the disposition of ABA block copolymer with respect to the second block, for examination.

Applicant elects the conjugate of claim 7 as the species of conjugate for examination.

Claims 28, 29 and 36 all read upon the elected block copolymer of claim 3 as the species of the first block and the elected conjugate of claim 7 as the species of conjugate.

The undersigned authorizes the examiner to charge any fees that may be required or credit of any overpayment to be made to Deposit Account No. 07-1850.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (415) 393-9885.

The undersigned authorizes the examiner to charge any fees that may be required or credit of any overpayment to be made to Deposit Account No. **07-1850**.

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Respectfully submitted,

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